

WEATHER FORECAST

Probably fair tonight and Wednesday.

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FIERCE STRUGGLE SUNDAY ON THE SOMME FRONT

One of the Most Terrific Battles Yet Fought
in the War

IN SPITE OF THE DESPERATE RESISTANCE OF THE TEUTONS, MUCH GROUND AND MANY PRISONERS TAKEN BY THE ALLIES

(Associated Press)

London, Sept. 5.—The British continue to gain ground in the neighborhood of Guillemont on the Somme front, it was officially announced today. They have pushed forward to within fifteen hundred yards of Guillemont from the east. Farther south around Felfemont farm they announce the capture of German works on a 300-yard front. The French report the repulse of German counter attacks on the Somme front with heavy losses.

RUSSIANS STEADILY WINNING

The Russians report the capture of more than 4500 Teutons on the Volhynian front, and also record the first clash between Bulgarians and Russians in Rumania, Russian cavalry sabreing a Bulgarian cavalry outpost.

BULGARS CLAIM SUCCESS

The Bulgarians claimed to have defeated the Rumanians in the first clashes on Rumanian soil.

ONE ZEP WINGED

The British press bureau says another Zeppelin besides the one destroyed was damaged in the raid Saturday night.

TOOK MANY TEUTONS

More than five thousand Germans were taken prisoners in the Somme region in the last two days. Berlin, admitting the Anglo-French claims of successes Sunday, asserts that the Germans held their line at Thiepval north of Pozieres and near Ginehy, but that Guillemont was lost.

BRITISH MADE GREAT GAINS

The British claim that since Sunday they have captured the whole of the German second line defenses on the front from Mouquet farm to a junction with the French.

RUSSIAN REPORT

The Russians report the capture of several more Carpathian mountain heights. Also fierce fighting in the Caucasus is said to be in progress.

BERLIN ADMITS A LOSING BATTLE

Berlin reports the Allies are attacking on an 18-mile front in the Somme region. The German war office concedes the loss of Chilly to the French.

SUNDAY'S BATTLE ON THE SOMME

With the British Armies in France, Sept. 3 (via London, Sept. 4).—It was "by the right flank" in the concerted Anglo-French attack on the Somme front today, with the great battle which never has ceased for two months flaring up into a general conflict. Kitchener's new army charged the flower of the German army—the Prussian guards—four divisions of which were concentrated to stay the British offensive. In places the German emperor's favorite troops were driven back but counter attacked, and again had to yield their crimsoned, shell-wrecked trenches to stubborn English and Scotch, most of whom two years ago did not know how to form fours and fought all the harder because of the known prestige of their foe. Never had so many guns been in action.

The attack was not simultaneous nor was it along the whole line. Different sections were timed with clockwork regularity, each suiting the purpose of the commanders, while the French and English acted together as if one army.

The roar of the guns in the early hours along the front could not have told the observers where the blows were to fall. Against Thiepval, that redoubtable position, which the British have been gradually approaching, no effort was made. But just before dawn their infantry rushed the old

AMERICA WANTS THE ISLANDS

In the Opinion of the Senate Committee, Which Recommends the Treaty

(Associated Press)

Washington, Sept. 5.—The Senate foreign relations committee ordered favorably reported the treaty for the purchase of the Danish West Indies for \$25,000,000. An attempt will be made to pass it at this session.

first line trenches at certain points both north and south of the Ancre.

The first stage of the infantry action was entirely on this flank and at Mouquet farm where the Australians were at it again. They had been wanting that farm and had taken and lost it once. This time they pushed through and beyond it.

Later in the morning, the big business of the day began from Delvill's wood southward through to the Somme. All the murderous power "on both sides, guns and machine guns, was exerted to the utmost. Guillemont was the prize the British sought. Two weeks ago this village was the most completely devastated of any on the front and the British had been pounding it day after day with every calibre gun. Guillemont no longer is a village but an iron and lead mine. Twice the British had carried their charges into it and even through it, only to be forced out. It is estimated that 200,000 shells were fired into and that 3,000,000 bullets traversed it.

WAS HAND TO HAND WORK

Sapping forward and connecting up shell craters into trenches, the British worked their way, aided by occasional charges, to the village, but the Germans established themselves in a small trench salient southwest of the village, where they were only thirty or forty yards from the British and so near that the British guns dared not fire on them for fear of hitting their own men.

Here the Germans had a machine gun so placed that it swept the space between the trenches, but the British managed to get across and, about midday swept through the village of Guillemont, cleaning up nests of machine guns, and across the fields on the other side, establishing themselves on a sunken road. But south of Guillemont one section of the Prussian guard resisted desperately in Falfemont farm and Wedgewood and here all the afternoon bombing and hand to hand fighting was proceeding. Here the guard had high ground which they turned into a fortress and they were evidently determined to keep faith with their prestige. No sooner had the British taken Guillemont and swept through it than the Germans turned on it a tornado of shell fire from their immense concentration of guns in this section.

The French between the Somme and British right, under the protection of an amazing hurricane of shell fire co-operated in a brilliant advance. From a hill the blue of their soldiers and the khaki of the British could be seen side by side as they charged and, as the trenches were taken, the green figures of the Germans filing back to the rear as prisoners, completed the spectacle under an unbroken stream of shells overhead.

PRUSSIANS ALWAYS WELL PROVIDED

The guns were so thick behind both the British and French infantry and their action was so furious that it ap-

IT HAS SELDOM BEEN OBSERVED

Somewhat Unnecessary to Eliminate the Word "Obey" from the Marriage Service

(Associated Press)

Chicago, Sept. 5.—The commission appointed to revise the ritual of the Protestant Episcopal church has determined to eliminate the word "obey" from the marriage ceremony, it was learned today. The report will be made at the general convention in St. Louis, October 11th.

STATUS OF SUBS

Is Being Argued Between the United States and the Entente Allies

(Associated Press)

Washington, Sept. 5.—The United States has dispatched a reply to the Entente's proposal that neutral nations accept the principle that all submarines are war vessels. It is understood to have declared the characteristics of each individual submarine must govern the case.

CAN'T TELL THEM FROM WAR CRAFT

Advices received by some diplomats here state Norway, Sweden and Spain have forbidden their harbors to merchant submarine on the ground that they were "indistinguishable" from war craft.

palled imagination. Prussian guard prisoners taken said the German emperor had let it be known to his troops that there would be no winter campaign. They believed the decision of the war was coming in this summer's fight and in the fighting of the next month. As for food, they had never wanted for it. The Prussian guard always had plenty.

PRESIDENT GOING TO REVERSE HIS POLICY?

Secretary Lansing Says Americans in Mexico Must be Treated Like They Were Human

(Associated Press)

New York, Sept. 5.—"The personal rights and interests of Americans in Mexico must be considered in reaching a permanent settlement between the United States and Mexico," said Secretary Lansing yesterday at a luncheon attended by the American-Mexican joint commission. A conference looking to such settlement will begin shortly at New London, Conn.

GOOD WORK BEGUN

Work of repairing the Silver Springs road has been started. The road is to be put in good condition for its full length. This will be good news to the crowds who have been enjoying the delights of the springs, and who have been compelled to make the trip out and back over very rough stretches.

Mr. Marcus Frank, having escaped the railroad strike and other perils of the great city, is home from New York, where he went two weeks ago to pick out one of those excellent stocks of goods that so delight his customers.

PRESIDENT WOULD NOT SPEAK ON POLITICS

IMMENSE CROWDS TURNED OUT TO SEE HIM ON HIS
RETURN FROM LINCOLN'S BIRTHPLACE

(Associated Press)

Huntington, W. Va., Sept. 5.—President Wilson was enthusiastic over his reception in Kentucky and West Virginia. He was met by large crowds at all stations. The president refused to make any political speeches, saying he went to Hodgenville to honor Lincoln.

COUNCIL WILL GIVE STATE BOARD'S REPORT CONSIDERATION

When council meets tonight at 8 o'clock it is expected that consideration will be given to the report of the state board of health received yesterday by Mayor Robertson, in which is "strongly recommended" the installation of treatment beds in connection with the Imhoff tanks of the new sewerage system, for the purpose of purifying the effluent of the tanks.

The inspection of the sewerage system by George W. Simons Jr., chief of the bureau of engineering of the state health board, was begun on August 7, some weeks after Bryan & Co., the contractors, had completed their work, and the system had been accepted by the city. Nothing was said in council about a board of health inspection of the system at the time of its acceptance by council. The reason for an inspection of the system after its acceptance by council, instead of previous to its acceptance, will probably be explained at tonight's meeting. The sewerage system for the city was decided on after the sewer wells in use had been condemned and outlawed, and it was with a view to meeting the health laws of the state that the present system with its Imhoff tanks was adopted.

JOY JUICE SHIPPED IN COFFINS FROM JACKSONVILLE

Atlanta, Sept. 5.—They've got up a new scheme in Jacksonville, according to reliable information secured in Atlanta, for shipping liquor into the state of Georgia.

Instead of sending individual shipments in separate packages, such as a quart or two quarts, they lump a bunch of shipments into one shipment, and pack them all in a box resembling the box in which a corpse and coffin are shipped by express.

One of these boxes will hold from twenty to fifty shipments of two quarts each and the method of packing and handling possesses marked advantages over the separate shipment plan.

EVERYTHING IN MILLINERY

Miss Huff, at the Affleck Millinery Parlor, is an up-to-date modiste of rare taste and talent. She is a clever designer of the most chic models, in jaunty simplicity to the most classical assembling of harmonies in the richest garnitures. Miss Huff has made a thorough inspection of all the new models in authoritative style creations and together with her superior artistic reputation, she has also a very genial and inspiring nature and serves the public most cheerfully. Our new location is in the Ocala House block, opposite Gerig's Drug Store. Phone 161. tu-wd-sat-wky

WELCH LUMBER CO.

BRANCHING OUT

Mr. David S. Welch has purchased the Leesburg Lumber Yard of Leesburg, and is operating it along with his yard and mill here. The Leesburg plant was purchased by Mr. Welch from Mr. T. P. Douglas of that city.

The county commissioners are in regular session today. Routine matters are being considered. Tomorrow the commissioners open bids for the purchase of a road working truck.

Howard Academy, the colored school, will open Monday, Sept. 18.

Seed oats, seed rye and rape seed, for fall planting. Ocala Seed Store. tf

For delicious hot biscuits use Juba Self-Rising Flour. At all grocers. *

Bean seed and multiplying onion sets. Bitting & Co. tf.

DISCUSSION OF BORDER DIFFICULTIES

To Begin by Gringo-Greaser Commission at New London Tomorrow

(Associated Press)

New York, Sept. 5.—The Mexican and American joint commission which has undertaken to settle the border difficulties, left this morning on the Mayflower for New London. The first conference will be held there tomorrow.

SMALL BUNCH OF SEAPLANES

Is to be Constructed for the Pensacola School of Aviation

(Associated Press)

Washington, Sept. 6.—Bids were opened at the navy department today for thirty hydro-aeroplanes for the Pensacola aviation school. Officials said they would be unable to award the contract within the week.

MEETING OF VETERANS

Marion camp No. 56, U. C. V., met Sept. 5th, 1916, with Commander W. E. McGahagin in the chair. Prayer by Comrade M. T. Christian. The following comrades answered to roll call: Alfred Ayer, J. L. Beck, M. T. W. Christian, M. P. Frink, L. M. Graham, H. N. Knoblock, J. T. Mattair, W. E. McGahagin, J. W. Nance, B. H. Norris, C. C. Priest, Joe Shuford, W. J. Hogan, J. H. Badger, I. P. Stevens, R. A. Carlton. Minutes of last meeting read and adopted. After a social chat which all enjoyed, the camp adjourned. Alfred Ayer, Adj.

MISSOURI STATE LIFE PAID THE MONEY

Mr. E. M. Osborne, representative for the Missouri State Life Insurance company, went to Dunnellon today to deliver a check for an even ten thousand dollars to Mrs. Mary L. Poe, widow of Mr. Edward C. Poe, who, with three other men was killed when his Ford car was run over by an East Coast train a few miles north of Hastings about two months ago.

Mr. Parish, another victim of the accident, carried five thousand dollars in the company, which was paid some time ago.

The victims were so terribly mutilated that Mr. Poe could not be identified and this caused a delay in paying the claim.

SILVER SPRINGS

Silver Springs, Sept. 4.—Little Miss Minnie Julia Hill was visiting her father at Fort McCoy last week.

Miss Blanche Miller and Misses Martha and Vera Whaley and Mr. George Fisher of Fort King picnicked at Douglas Spring, near Shady, Tuesday.

Miss Vera Whaley was the overnight guest of Miss Blanche Whaley Thursday.

Miss Violet Smoak returned from Daytona Saturday. Miss Smoak reports a delightful trip with not a single incident to mar its enjoyment.

Mrs. J. L. Smoak Jr. and Mr. Roy Smoak from Eustis arrived last week for a visit to Mrs. J. L. Smoak Sr. They were accompanied by Miss Louise Warren Smoak, who has been visiting her cousin, Miss Annabelle Day at High Springs for some time.

Miss Mamie Taylor from Martel visited friends here last week.

Garden and flower seed for fall planting. Bitting Co., 410 N. Mag-nolia St. tf.

CREATED GREAT CONSTERNATION

Among Diplomats of the Entente Allies

(Associated Press)

SENATE AMENDMENT TO REVENUE BILL IS VIRTUALLY A COMMERCIAL ULTIMATUM

Washington, Sept. 5.—The Senate has adopted an amendment to the revenue bill authorizing the president by proclamation to deny the use of mails, express, telegraph, wireless or cable facilities to citizens of nations which do not accord American citizens all facilities of commerce, "including unhampered traffic in mails."

The resolution was introduced by Senator Phelan of California. It is declared to be aimed particularly at British interference with American mails. The amendment authorizes the president during any war in which the United States is not engaged to withhold clearance from all vessels which discriminate against American shippers, withhold privileges from ships of nations withholding privileges accorded other nations from American ships and to use the army and navy if necessary to prevent the departure of offending vessels from the United States was also adopted.

The Senate had agreed to a final vote on the bill before adjournment tonight. Its passage virtually will clear the way for adjournment not later than Thursday.

CREATED CONSTERNATION

The adoption of the amendments created consternation among ally diplomats. It was declared their enactment into law would be nothing less than a non-intercourse act preliminary to commercial warfare with far-reaching possibilities. There were assurances that representations would be made if they become law. Inasmuch as the government has decided on retaliatory legislation to meet the restraints of commerce diplomatic correspondence has been unable to remove, it was generally expected the amendments would be put through.

CRYSTAL RIVER

Crystal River, Sept. 4.—Miss Nellie Miller left Saturday for Floral City, where she will teach this term.

Mrs. C. E. Hoy and children returned Saturday from a pleasant visit to Jacksonville and Haines City.

Col. H. J. Dame of Inverness was here a few hours Sunday.

Miss Julia Olliff of Red Level, came in Saturday. Miss Olliff is well known here and her friends will be glad to know that she will be one of the teachers here.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Miller and dainty little daughter arrived here Wednesday for a visit to Mr. Miller's parents.

Miss Essie Sanders returned last Thursday from a delightful visit to her mother in Trenton.

Miss Elsie Miller left Sunday for Red Level, where she will teach.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Van Roy and little daughter Gretchen, returned last week from an extended visit to Highland Park, Mich.

W. S. Vivian made a business trip to Ocala last week.

Mr. S. H. Christian and Miss Lillie Bailey of Ocala were guests of the Misses Park Sunday.

James Holder and family and W. B. Holder and family visited relatives in Santa Fee last week, where the Holder family had a reunion.

Cecil Cribb, the young assistant depot agent, who has been visiting relatives in Savannah, Ga., returned last Wednesday.

Mr. Ben Rheinauer, of Rheinauer & Co., has returned from New York, where he went to purchase a fall and winter stock. Mr. Rheinauer spent about ten days in New York, and would have remained longer but for the threatened railroad strike. He has been busy shaking hands with his friends since his return.

Horse, cow and poultry feed, corn, oats, hay and sweet feed. Ocala Seed Store. 8-1-tf

A new shipment of Crane's stationery just in—all styles. The Court Pharmacy. tf

CROCKER LAND WAS A MIRAGE

In the Opinion of Ensign Green, Who Has Just Returned from the Arctic

(Associated Press)

New York, Sept. 5.—Ensign Fitzhugh Green, of the American navy, who accompanied Donald B. McMillan on the expedition in search for "Crocker Land," arriving here from Copenhagen, expressed the belief that Crocker Land does not exist. He believes that Admiral Peary saw a mirage.

NON-STOP MAXWELL ON IMPORTANT TOUR

Famous Car is Now on the Journey to Help the National Defense Movement

The non-stop Maxwell, the car that holds the world's record of 22,022 miles continuous travel without a stop of the motor is engaged in a mission of national importance and the trip will carry it from Tia Juana, Mexico, to Vancouver, Canada, and return.

It is a great loop trip that is being made by the non-stop champion. The route as at present outlined will carry the party up the California and Oregon coasts as far as possible toward the northern boundary of the United States; the return itinerary is thru the interiors of Washington, Oregon and California to the starting point at the southern international line.

The highway between Mexico and Canada generally followed by motorists is inland for almost the entire distance. The coast road port has been neglected, mainly because the population is so scattered that it has been impossible to wield sufficient influence for a boulevard system that would make all-year-round travel feasible.

The necessity for defending this coast road has been pointed out innumerable times by military experts and one of the first important items in making our west coast safe against foreign invasion is to place the roads in such condition that troops and heavy armament could be moved expeditiously in motor trucks and automobiles.

Every detail of the topography is being carefully noted by the Maxwell party. The road is being logged and at the conclusion of the expedition, a report will be submitted to the federal authorities and to the officials of the states through which the tour extends.

The non-stop Maxwell is carrying as passengers Wilbur Hall and Albert Gill Waddell, widely known as magazine writers, and Jack Griffin, touring expert.

Along the coast towns, the non-stop Maxwell is attracting great attention. The service-scarred veteran had traveled more than 35,000 miles before starting on its latest tour, and the original covers on its motor and transmission are yet to be removed for an overhauling of any sort of the interior workings.

Mr. W. O. Brewer, one of the liveliest citizens of the northwest quarter of the county, was in town today. Mr. Brewer is much interested in school affairs, and he reports good openings for the Romeo and Buck Pond schools. Both openings were well attended by patrons. Miss Eula Goldby teaches at Buck Pond and Miss Grace Pritchett at Romeo.

We have a new perfume, Bouquet Dozira, a fine lasting extract, \$2 per ounce. Gerig's. tf